

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 412

By Finney R.

### A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Eon Burkett, 2007 Salutatorian of St. Andrew's High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Eon Burkett is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2007 graduating class at St. Andrew's High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Burkett has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Eon has earned an exemplary grade point average of 3.1; and

WHEREAS, Eon Burkett has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order; in addition to his fine work as a camp counselor, he provided much-welcome assistance performing Hurricane Katrina clean-up work and serving as a volunteer at the Knox Area Rescue Ministry, and

WHEREAS, this exceptional gentleman also lends his time and considerable talents to the Music Ministry at Evergreen Presbyterian Church, where he is a valued member of the Youth Group; and

WHEREAS, proudly upholding the ideal of the citizen soldier, an essential tradition of American society, Mr. Burkett is currently in training with the United States Army at Fort Benning, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burkett's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Eon's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Todd Burkett, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Eon Burkett's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Eon Burkett, 2007 St. Andrew's High School Salutatorian, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.